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As a Michigan commentator who is limited in the field of politics to non-partisan observations we have been watching for some time the efforts of the Michigan CIO-sponsored Political Action Committee to swing the urban CIO vote to Roosevelt and Fry.

Here is definitely something new to the Michigan scene.

Not that labor organizations have not plumped previously for candidates, for their leaders have. But not until 1944 has any labor group in Michigan engaged so actively in the field of politics, with an aggressive campaign to get out the vote on Nov. 7 and to put over certain favored candidates.

In fact, the CIO prominence in the Democratic camp is a matter of considerable speculation among Michigan Democrats as well as Republicans. They are all wondering what may be next.

What is the Political Action Committee? It had its origin at Cleveland in March, 1943. CIO President Philip Murray invited 200 key leaders to consider the problems of the rising cost of living, the threatened swing to the right at Washington, and elsewhere, and the possibility of post-war reprisals by industrial managers weary over labor troubles.

Fattened wages had made labor a bit complacent. Workers no longer listened to the appeals of business agents and organizers with usual attentiveness.

Murray and others frankly felt the need for a pressure agency which would express the workers' views and represent their interests in the field of politics, much as the unions speak for workers in collective bargaining. Sidney Hillman was named chairman.

Here was a legal way to circumvent the restrictions of the Smith-Connally Act which barred contributions to political parties by unions. The PAC would do it. Political education were the words of the hour.

First objectives were the national and state conventions of the Democratic party. The CIO committee in mid-May of this year openly pledged support to the President for a fourth term. It insisted that "a small but powerful minority" in the nation sought to "prevent the complete liquidation of fascism" through the defeat of the President.

At the Democratic national convention in Chicago CIO leaders were admittedly effective. They blocked the naming of James F. Byrnes for vice-president, failed to push for the renomination of Vice-President Wallace, and finally gave their support to Truman whom they regarded as "acceptable" on his record.

The Grand Rapids convention of the Michigan Democrats likewise saw the CIO at the front. Here was something daring on the Michigan political scene—an organized campaign by a major labor organization to achieve its goals through political action. Following the traditions of Samuel Gompers, the American Federation of Labor through its non-partisan political committee has largely limited its national program to the assembly of labor records of members of the senate and house at Washington and its transmission to state and local organizations. The CIO scorns this going directly to Democratic conventions to obtain candidates favorable to their interests and then appealing directly to the CIO workers themselves.

That the Political Action Committee has been successful in getting a heavy registration of workers in urban centers is being freely conceded.

It points to a basic strategy in the Michigan Democratic party: to concentrate on the industrial centers where reside the so-called "low income" group which has been the backbone of the New Deal.

Recent polls of the Detroit News again emphasize the likelihood that Detroit's tremendous urban vote will swing heavily toward the Democratic column. If the Republicans are to counterbalance it, they must get out the vote in up-state counties.

The two separate ballots—one for president and vice-president, and the second for governor and others including congressmen—offer another factor in 1944 which may put Kelly ahead of Dewey in the final tally. Another complication is the fact that in about 35 counties the

Avalanche Adds New Features

Two new features appear in today's edition of the Crawford Avalanche.

On Page Three will be found three full columns of a weekly news analysis covering the war, local and political news of all kinds. In that a weekly paper can not give its readers the up-to-the-minute news coverage a daily paper can, it seems only fair that the weekly carry a column devoted to the meaning behind the news; why certain things were done in the way they were; the reason for the political moves of the past week, and other national moves.

On Page Four, the first chapter of "God Is My Co-Pilot" by Col. Robert Scott is printed. This continued story, which has an introduction by Maj. General Claire Chennault, commander of the famous American Volunteer Group, known as the "Flying Tigers".

Over the Burma Road, in the skies of China, Col. Scott flew and fought against overpowering odds. His story is "full of hair-raising adventures, pathos, romance, drama and almost incredible heroism".

At first considered by Army officers as too old for combat duty, Col. Scott was finally assigned to a four-engine plane and started for Asia. He went to make history in the skies over China.

Two Roscommon Boys Missing, Found

The town of Roscommon had a fright of some duration Saturday night when two boys, one about 3 years old the other 9, did not return home at supper time.

A search was organized. The searchers included both the State police and townspeople. The boys were finally found about 2 o'clock Sunday morning on the railroad tracks near St. Helen.

The youngsters were from the Emery and Hoffman families of Roscommon.

GAYLORD PCA TO MEET NOVEMBER 9

The Board of Directors of the Gaylord Production Credit Association has set Thursday, November 9, 1944, for the eleventh annual meeting of stockholders.

The meeting will be held in the V. F. W. Hall at Gaylord, Michigan, starting at 11:00 a.m. Central War Time, and a lunch will be served at noon.

This meeting will give members an opportunity to hear financial and business reports and review the Association activities during the past year. The main item of business to be transacted at this meeting will be the election of one director to fill the term expiring at this time.

All stockholders are urged to attend this meeting. They also welcome anyone interested in farm credit and leaders of agricultural organizations.

Open Fall Services Here Next Mouday

Rev. W. A. Schiele of Roscommon will be the speaker at the Gravelly Free Methodist Church during the fall evangelistic campaign. The services begin Monday, October 30, and continue until November 12.

Rev. Schiele, although a young man, has had considerable experience in evangelistic work. He spent some time in mission work in Garden City, Kansas, and organized a church at Tullahoma, Tenn., near Camp Forrest. Rev. Schiele did gospel work among the soldiers of the camp.

The evangelist is a forceful speaker. Special songs by Rev. Schiele and his wife will be a part of the services.

Children's services will be held immediately after school hours on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays during both weeks of the meetings. Evening services will start at 8 o'clock. Everyone is heartily invited to the services.

Western Union Adds New Machine

A new Teletype machine was placed in operation at the Grayling Office of the Western Union last Tuesday morning. The machine will either send or receive messages according to John Heise, local manager.

The messages are received on a continuous strip of gummed paper, then the message is transferred to the Western Union blanks. It is of a late design and will undoubtedly speed up the sending and receiving of messages here.

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Sweden Kees Its Peace in Midst of War



In contrast to most European cities, Stockholm, Sweden, has no blackouts, no air raids, and is unmolested by the ravages of war. Top left: Sweden's democratic King Gustav V. Top right: Swedish women in a cafe. Bottom left: Prime Minister Per Albin Hansson. Bottom right: Swedish women in a cafe. No invasion barges disturb these Swedish bathers.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CITY CHARTER

By Charles E. Moore

City Attorney

PROPOSAL No. 1

As the City Charter now stands, the entire membership of the Council is elected every two years. Under the proposed amendment the terms are staggered. At the election to be held in the Spring of 1945, there would be elected 3 Council members for terms of 2 years each, and 2 members for terms of 4 years each. In 1947 and every two years thereafter, the terms of only a part of the Council would expire—that is, in 1947 the terms of 3 members would expire; in 1949 the terms of 2 members would expire; so that at the elections held every two years there would be either two or three members elected.

Under the proposed change it would not be possible to elect an entire new Council at any one election. It is felt that this will be a decided advantage because the new members elected would always have the benefit of the experience of a part of the prior Council.

The City of Grayling now owns and operates the light plant, waterworks and sewage disposal system. In the operation of these facilities and also in the ordinary conduct of city business, problems arise which require careful planning over periods of time. If, in the course of such planning, an election occurred and an entire new Council were elected, the new members would not be familiar with either plans or backgrounds.

Under the proposed amendment the new members elected would have the advantage of the experience of the members held over.

The increase in compensation for Council members is from \$3.00 to \$5.00 per meeting and is designed to bring the compensation more nearly in line with other cities of comparable size and character.

PROPOSAL No. 2—

Proposal No. 2 is designed to correct a fault in the present charter that became evident after the building of the light plant. As the charter now stands the City Manager is limited to expenditures not in excess of \$200.00, and for purchases in excess of that amount bids are required. In the operation of the light plant and also in carrying on the general business of the city, it is frequently necessary to make purchases in excess of \$200.00, and many times it is neither practical to obtain bids or even possible to get them. It is felt that by raising the limit to \$500.00 the problem will be solved, and at the same time the interests of the city will be fully protected.

PROPOSAL No. 3—

Proposal No. 3 is designed to correct a fault in the present charter that has been evident from the time of its adoption. The charter now provides that city checks shall be signed by both the Mayor and the City Clerk. They should be signed by the City Treasurer and City Clerk, and the proposed amendment is to make this correction.

Suffers Skull Fracture In Fall From Car

Lynn Kyle of Beaver Creek is in Mercy Hospital here, suffering from a fractured skull, the result of falling from a car near his home Tuesday afternoon.

The accident was investigated by Sheriff John A. Papendick.

Three breaking and entering cases were also cleared up by Sheriff Papendick by the arrest of two minor boys, ages 10 and 11. The rifled stores were Sales' 5c to \$1 store, Kraus' Store, and Bugby's.

Kiwanis Club Notes

"The Declaration of Independence" one of a series of movies produced by the Yale University Press for the use of schools in teaching history, was shown by Frank Bond at this week's meeting of the Kiwanis Club.

The pictures are made as historically perfect as possible with several history experts checking each scene. The 3-reel pictorial review of events leading up to the unanimous adoption of the Declaration by the Thirteen Colonies was both instructive and entertaining.

A round table discussion was held on the proposed amendments to the state constitution, and the Grayling city charter. The reasons for and the meaning of the amendments were pointed out by Charles E. Moore—who led the discussion.

William Tucker, head of Grayling's newest industry, the Tucker Toy Manufacturing Company, was a guest at the meeting. He spoke briefly to the club on his views concerning Grayling.

"Moms"

UNIT No. 32

Mrs. Ida Post and Mrs. Chas. McDill, of Frederic, returned Friday from Detroit, where they were sent as delegates by the Moms (Mothers of America) Unit 32 to the convention which was held at Dearborn Inn October 17 and 18. They reported a very nice time and brought back a report which will be presented at the next meeting of Unit 32 at the Frederic Town Hall, October 26.

We were very sorry that all the delegates from our neighboring towns of Grayling and Gaylord could not attend as it would have been most helpful to all our clubs.

Don't forget the Election dinner, November 7. The Moms, Unit 32, will furnish a chicken dinner and supper at the Frederic Town Hall. Come and help our boys in the service.

Mrs. Ida Post, Moms Reporter.

GRAYLING UNIT No. 47

Monday evening nearly fifty Moms attended the regular meeting at the Grange Hall. Total membership is now 86. Mr. Bond and Mr. Stripe showed an interesting "silent" movie of Early American History. They have promised more at future meetings, and we will be looking forward to seeing them.

Those having quilt tickets are requested to bring them in, as the quilt is being finished this week.

Mr. Bond is having a service plaque made and requests pictures of all Crawford County service men and women, especially all who have attended the Grayling School. These can be smaller, but not larger than a post card. The plaque is to hang in the high school in the main floor hall.

Members, please hand in the birth dates of your sons and daughters in service, as cards will be sent to them. Mrs. A. Joseph is collecting this information.

A rising vote of thanks was given Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hatfield for their extra work in getting off the Christmas boxes.

The mystery prize was won by Mrs. Joseph.

Roll call was answered by giving the number of sons or daughters each member had in the service. One hundred thirty-four sons are registered and thirty motherless boys. There are more names yet to come in.

One hundred twelve Christmas boxes were mailed. Postage amounted to \$30.54.

Several committees were appointed to take care of the school party games. The door prize is to be a lovely angel food cake; all prizes are to be on display. There will be a parade of costumed children. Three Moms will act as judges. There will be a movie and refreshments then the party. Everyone is welcome. Proceeds are to be used for the benefit of those in the service.

A lovely lunch was served at the close of the meeting. Next regular meeting will be Nov. 6. May all the members be there.

THE MIND HAS ALLERGIES, TOO

If you embarrass easily, stammer, and never think of those smart, witty cracks until after the party's over, maybe you've become a "mental hermit," psychiatrists say—and what to do about it is explained in The American Weekly with this Sunday's (Oct. 29) issue of The Detroit Sunday Times. Get The Detroit Sunday Times this week and every week.

At Random

Don't vote November 7. Then if the wrong candidate is elected, you may kick yourself for the rest of your days.

Vote, and if the right man is elected, you can boast about your good judgment.

On September 29, on September 30, and on October 1, Columbus sailed due westward. What a superb example—set your course and stick to it.

Paper is scarce but the biggest bargain in paper is a War Savings Bond.

Next best bargain is in subscribing for the Avalanche.

The hen-pecked husband at home, tending the baby: "Oh, Maggie! Got a spare handy?"

Never realized the tooth powder we use was nearly as good as is claimed on the radio.

Report from Washington—1 billion, 2 billion, 10 billion—just figure it out for yourself.

The Avalanche is displaying samples of all the ballots offered Election day. Splendid and helpful idea.

Let an Italian, a monkey and a hand organ stop on a city corner, and a traffic officer will tell you to break it up. Ain't city people curious?

"Pats" are reported plentiful, but some of the so-called local nimrods claim their guns don't shoot straight.

Mrs. Melvin Marshall got the limit first day, as usual.

Getting our boys home for this Thanksgiving would make it the best ever.

Changes In Postal Rates Effective November 1

Postmaster James McDonnell announces that certain changes reducing the fees on money orders insured and C.O.D. mail, will go into effect November 1, 1944.

The new money order fees will be the same as were in effect prior to March 26, 1944; the fees on orders up to \$2.50 will be 6c up to \$5.00 8c, etc.

The fees charged for insuring parcel post will be rolled back to the former rates, with the exception of the lower bracket, the fee for insurance on \$5.00 will be 3c (now 10c).

Collect on delivery mail (unregistered) will require the following fees: Up to \$2.50—15c; up to \$5.00—20c; up to \$25.00—30c; etc.

Special delivery fees are to be raised as follows: First class mail up to 2 lb.—13c. 2nd 3rd and 4th class matter up to 2 lb.—17c; parcels from 2 to 10 lb. will require a fee of 25c.

Postmaster McDonnell urges patrons to familiarize themselves with these changes.

500 VISIT TOY FACTORY HERE

Nearly 500 people took advantage of the Tucker Toy Company's "Open House" Friday and Saturday. Grayling's newest industry is a most interesting operation to observe; this is especially true for the youngster who can see "Jo Jo the Wonder Clown" being constructed. The plant is equipped with the newest in woodworking machinery.

The company has now constructed a small display space at the front of the building which contains many toys that are instructive as well as something fascinating for the youngsters to play with. It is certainly worth the time to drop in and see the display.

Many of the machines that do the work on "JoJo" are multiple—that is more than one operation is done on the same machine. The operations are set up in line so that a toy can move from one machine to another until the finished product is the result.

The people who visited the plant during "Open House" are highly enthusiastic over the city's new industry.

Nelson Persons Celebrates 90th Birthday

Nelson Persons a resident of Grayling for over 20 years, celebrated his 90th birthday at his home at 2433 Thayer st. in Saginaw, Tuesday Oct. 17.

He is in the very best of health and enjoys life immensely, according to his daughter, Mrs. G. F. DeLaMater, of Gaylord.

Persons is a life member of the Masonic Lodge of Grayling, having been so honored several years ago.

He is an avid reader and also spends a great deal of time listening to the radio. He would be delighted to hear from some of his old friends in Grayling, his daughter said.

Deer Herd Is On The Increase

More deer have been counted in recent weeks than were seen a year ago in 34 of the 49 counties in Michigan in which the animals may be hunted legally, the Conservation Department reports.

Pre-season deer censuses made by conservation officers while on patrol indicate deer have increased in 10 Upper Peninsula counties and in 24 counties in the Lower Peninsula. Over-all averages above and below the Straits also are higher, on the basis of officers' reports.

Increases are attributed to the light winter of 1943-44 with consequent reduction in starvation loss. Fawns came through the winter in good shape.

Lower Peninsula counties in which deer herds appear to have increased are: Alcona, Antrim, Arenac, Benzie, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Gladwin, Grand Traverse, Iosco, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Mason, Muskegon, Montmorency, Newaygo, Oceana, Ogemaw, Osceola, Oshtemo, Otsego, Presque Isle, and Roscommon.

Censuses are based on number of deer seen per hour of patrolling.

God Is my Co-Pilot

By COL. ROBERT SCOT

U. S. Army Air Force

Introduction by

MAJ. GEN. CHENNAULT

Over the Burma road, in the skies of China, Col. Scott flew and fought against overpowering odds. His story is "full of hair-raising adventure, pathos, romance, drama and almost incredible heroism."

Says John Chamberlain, of the New York Times: "The most fascinating personal story of the war. Whatever way you take him, Col. Scott is one whale of a man."

Look for "God Is My Co-Pilot"

IN THIS PAPER



D-DAY

Means DEWEY DAY

Do You Know

That for 15 years (4 as governor of New York and 12 as president) Roosevelt spent billions more than his administration has taken in.

You would be in jail; the New Deal calls it progressive.

Crawford County
Republican Committee
(Political Adv.)

Due to the fact of being placed in an inactive status by the U. S. Army, I will resume my dental practice at my office beginning immediately.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the people of Grayling for their consideration shown Dr. L. Ballard during my absence.

Dr. J. F. Cook

408 Michigan Phone 2251

WANT ADS

TELEPHONE 3111

RATES: Advertisements in this department cost 25 cents for 25 words or less for each insertion. For more than 25 words one cent a word for each insertion. Rates for display advertising in the classified columns on application. Orders by mail should be accompanied by cash or postage stamps. An extra charge of 10c will be made for blind ads and if it is necessary to bill for an advertisement that has been charged.

The Want Ad Department closes for each week's edition at NOON on Wednesday.

WANTED—Turning logs. Pioneer Log Cabin Co., Roscommon, Mich. 9-21-12-23-44

Wanted—Oil Leases

In Northeastern Michigan by one of Michigan's most active oil drilling companies now participating in drilling operations on several Wildcat tests.

We pay good lease rentals, but are primarily interested in deep drilling operations for new crude oil production. Please give complete legal description of your farm acreage, section number, town and range information.

Send this advertisement together with your resident address to:

OIL DRILLING COMPANY
Box 490,
Grayling, Michigan

FOR SALE—Christmas wreaths, \$1.00 each. Delivery Dec. 15. Jerry LaMott, Grayling.

WANTED—Middle-aged man or woman for inside work. Woman preferred. No heavy lifting. Apply at Hunter's AuSaus Dairy.

HELP WANTED—Kitchen employees. Shoppenagons Inn.

HELP WANTED—Men and Women for steady employment; good wages and nice working conditions. Rose City Novelty Mfg. Co., Rose City, Mich.

WANTED—We are paying good prices for lumber. Call or write Michigan Engineering & Mfg. Co.,

For Rent
Lost or Found
For Sale
Wanted to Buy
Miscellaneous

Rose City, Mich.

HELP WANTED—Male or female. No experience necessary. Apply Tucker Toy Manufacturing Company, Grayling.

WANTED—Janitress. Part time work. Tucker Toy Manufacturing Co., Grayling.

OIL BURNER Heating Stove for sale. Also good bed with springs and mattress. See O. P. Schumann, Phone 3121.

FOR SALE—8 six-week-old pigs and 8 eight-month-old pigs. Andrew Chalo.

FOUND—Black and white spaniel Sunday night. Phone 3191.

FOR SALE—One rebuilt davenport; one household sewing machine; drophead type. Hayes Upholstering Shop.

FOR SALE—16-ft. motor boat, 4 H.P. Wisconsin "Muskie" is ideal for pleasure and trolling; \$375 cash. Carl Easton, Cottage Inn on M-93. 10 26 27

WANTED—Woman for general housework and care of two children. Hours from 11 to 7. Inquire of F. A. Davis, Ionia St., or phone 3596.

NEEDED—Man or woman to take over established Route distributing medicines, home remedies, insecticides, disinfectants, animal foods, tonics and food products. Home medication, buying at home, increases demand. Good profits. Write Rawleigh's, Dept. MCJ-174-187, Freeport, Ill.

FEMALE HELP WANTED—EXCELLENT Opportunity for an Experienced Stenographer. Michigan Engineering & Mfg. Co., Rose City, Mich.

FOR SALE—Three dozen assorted size steel traps. Anyone wanting the same, call on Bandmaster Clark, better known as Ed.

LOST—A gray tiger kitten, around six months old; answers to name of "Tige". Return to Avalanche.

Lovells

Mr. and Mrs. Spaulding are enjoying a visit from their daughter, Mrs. Winston, of Midland.

Nick Loeffler is building a new house, having sold the cabin on the river where he lived, to Mr. Wilson of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Griswold returned to their home in Bay City after spending several months in Lovells. They resided in the A. K. Caid home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Moore of Detroit are at their cabin on Shupac Lake. They will remain until after the close of the deer season.

Mrs. Stickling returned home after spending several weeks visiting relatives and friends in Saginaw and other cities.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hesson of Gaylord spent Sunday with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. More.

Louise McCormick, who has been employed at Sears, Roebuck & Co., Detroit, is enjoying a few days at home with her mother.

Bob McCormick is home from Great Lakes, where he has been in boot training for several weeks.

The Ladies' Society met last week at the home of Mrs. Roy Peterman. A delightful time was had. Mrs. Wedding's birthday was observed. They will meet on Nov. 1 at the home of Mrs. Kellogg. Potluck lunch will be served. Also the birthday of Mrs. Mary Miller and Mrs. Harriett Steckling will be observed.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Smith and daughter, Mrs. Norma Johnson, enjoyed Sunday dinner at Dam Four, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bottom.

Paul Loeffler is making a fine improvement to his tavern by constructing a large addition to it in a dining room and bar.

Charley Kellogg is home for a few days from Plymouth, where he has been employed at Kelsey Hayes plant.

Valued Demulcent

Licorice is a valued demulcent in the treatment of coughs due to colds, and is used also in a number of preparations, such as Cascara, to cover up bitterness. It is able to do this so effectively because of its remarkable sweet constituent, glycyrrhizin, whose sweetness is believed to be exceeded by no other chemical except saccharin and is about 50 times as sweet as cane sugar. Its sweetness is still detectable when it is dissolved in 20,000 times its weight of water.

Re-elect John A. Papendiek for Sheriff of Crawford County.

Northern Lights

SHOP CLASS VISITS

TUCKER TOY FACTORY
The Ninth Grade shop class visited the Tucker Toy Factory on Thursday, October 19. We were first shown the materials used in constructing the toy being manufactured at the Grayling plant. All the machine operations were observed in order, from the beginning to the final operation. Members of the class were very much interested in the fixtures used on the machines to permit of faster production, ease of operation, and greater safety. Surplus stock and rough surfaces are removed with power driven sanders. After watching the parts of the toy being made, the class entered the finishing room. Here we saw various parts of the acrobatic clown being dipped and sprayed with lacquer. Mr. Tucker told us the demand for toys with a lacquer finish is much greater than for those which are given a natural wood finish. After spraying or dipping, the parts are suspended or placed on drying racks. From the finishing room the parts are taken to the final assembly line to take the form of the finished toy. They are then packed in attractive cartons and shipped to various parts of the country. The shop class wishes to thank Mr. Tucker for giving us the opportunity to visit his factory.

NEW HOST AND HOSTESS
The second group of school hosts and hostesses include:

Ilene Anthony, Louise Kasper, Jacquelyn Harwood, Harry Miller, Ted Bennett and Roseane Kearney.

To date our visitor registrar has in it the following names of former students and others who have secured a visitor's pass to visit the school this fall: Robert Ferguson, James Tinker, James Kolka, Dorothy Cooper, Gwendolyn Goulding, Virginia Day, Clarence Papendiek, Alvin Kolka, Warren Bindschattel, Maxine Crawford, Marion Bindschattel, Alyce Hadstate, Shirley Anne Jewell and Darlene Love.

ASSEMBLY
In reporting the assembly program of October 11, we neglected to say that while Mr. Martin and the high school boys were in the gym, Mrs. Gorman, County Nurse, spoke to the girls on the requirements of nursing. Mr. Corwin, School Nurse, introduced the speaker.

After Mrs. Gorman's talk, Miss Bennett had charge of a radio stunt program that had all the ear-marks of being a bang-up feature, when it was interrupted by the boys returning to classes.

Last week the program was in charge of Mrs. N. Hanson, who had a committee from the senior class sponsor an old-fashioned spelling bee. Vivian LaMotte won from a group of five picked contestants from each grade, 7 to 12, or 30 in all. Vivian now wears the crown of the school's best speller.

VISUAL EDUCATION

We have scheduled 15 historical films, The Chronicles of American Photoplays, to be shown every two weeks to the American Revolution and showed the 5th and 6th Grades. On October 11 we saw "The Eve of the Revolution," which proved to be very interesting and educational. It brought out very vividly the events that led up to the great American Revolution and showed such scenes as the "Boston Tea Party" and the "Battle of Concord Bridge." This week there are three reels on "The Declaration of Independence" and we are all looking forward to seeing the events we have studied in history portrayed on the screen. Last week some of the classes also saw "A Memo to GI Joe," a United War Funds movie.

HALLOWE'EN

At a meeting of the "Moms" committee at the school last Thursday evening, plans for the annual Halloween party were completed. A thousand donuts and 60 gallons of orange pop have been ordered. The slogan: "Let's Save at Home so the Boys Across Can Have More" is our motto this Halloween. The party at the school is to be the "treats," and all students are asked to refrain from "tricks" this year and not destroy any property.

Doors open at 6:30 p. m.

The program will be as follows:

- 1—Cracker chewing contest—prizes
- 2—Pop on string contest—prizes
- 3—"Dress-up" Parade—prizes
- 4—Movie—"The Plainsman"
- 5—Treats
- 6—Little Folks—Home
- 8:30—Party—Benefit of "Moms" of Grayling. Door prize and Grand prize—For older students and adults, in the gym)

NON-PRIVILEGED LIST

This year our "Non-privileged List" was distributed to the teachers as soon as the mark of the 1st term were compiled. The list includes the names of all students who are doing unsatisfactory work in either citizenship or scholarship. All special and other privileges outside those actually necessary to complete assigned lessons are taken from these individuals until their work becomes satisfactory and their names are removed from the list.

The right to be a student citizen in Grayling High School includes the responsibilities of good citizenship and scholarship as well as the many privileges and opportunities that go with our American Schools.

ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

The Faculty Student Council adopted the following School Calendar for the year 1944-45 at their meeting on Tuesday, October 10. The calendar is subject to change or modification.

- Oct. 27: All-School Dance—Juniors
Oct. 31: Halloween Party; Benefit party for "Moms"
Nov. 10: All School Dance—Sophomores
Nov. 17: Thanksgiving Dance and Party—School and Moms
Nov. 23-24: Thanksgiving recess
Dec. 1: Basketball—Johannesburg; Victory Dance—Freshmen
Dec. 5: Basketball—Roscommon here
Dec. 8: All-School Dance—Juniors
Dec. 11-15: Senior Play during this week
Dec. 12: Basketball—Houghton Lake, here
Dec. 22—Jan. 2: Christmas Vacation
Jan. 12: All-School Dance, Sophomores
Jan. 28: Basketball—Gaylord; Victory Dance, Seniors
Feb. 9: Senior Prom
Feb. 12: Basketball—Boys—City, here
Feb. 16: Basketball—Kalkaska; Victory Dance, Juniors

Meet your friends at ZAUER'S every Friday night for a PERCH FRY.

- Feb. 20: Basketball—West Branch, here
Feb. 23: Basketball—Mancelona; Victory Dance, Sophomores
Feb. 23—30: Junior Play during this week
March 9: All-School Dance—Freshmen
March 16: St. Patrick's Dance—Juniors
March 30—April 2: Easter recess
April 6: All-School Dance—Seniors
April 20: All-School Dance—Freshmen
May: Music Program in May
May 4: All-School Dance—Freshmen and Sophomores
May 18: Junior Prom
May 2: Baccalaureate
May 30: Decoration Day
May 31: Class Night
June 1: Commencement

Election Notice

Notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held in the several Townships and City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan at Town Hall and City Hall, within said Townships and City on

For the purpose of voting for the election of the following officers, viz:

Tuesday, November 7,

A. D. 1944

NATIONAL—President, Vice President.
STATE—Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, State Treasurer, Auditor General.
CONGRESSIONAL—Representative in Congress.
LEGISLATIVE—State Senator, Representative in State Legislature.

COUNTY—Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, County Clerk, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Judge of Probate, Circuit Court Commissioner, 2 Coroners, Surveyor.

Notice is Hereby Further Given That at the time and places of holding the General Election, there will be submitted at said Election, Four Proposed Amendments to the Constitution of the State of Michigan, viz:

Proposal No. 1

Shall Section 23 of Article VIII of the State Constitution be amended to remove the restriction of furnishing water by any city or village to an amount not to exceed 25 per cent of that furnished by it within its corporate limits?

Proposal No. 2

Shall Section 7 of Article V of the State Constitution be amended relative to eligibility of members of the Legislature to be candidates for and elected to state offices?

Proposal No. 3

Shall Section 9 of Article V of the State Constitution be amended to provide \$5.00 per day compensation for members of the Legislature during term of office?

Proposal No. 4

Shall Article VIII of the State Constitution be amended by adding Section 15b thereto, permitting Wayne County to adopt a charter as set forth in said proposed amendment?
The polls of said Election will be open at 7 o'clock A. M. and remain open until 8 o'clock P. M. of said day of Election.
Dated October 19th, 1944.

DAN C. BABBITT, Clerk
Grayling Township
OTIS WEAVER, Clerk
Frederick Township
MARTHA J. PETERSON, Clerk
Mary Forest Township
GEORGE WOLF, Clerk
Beaver Creek Township
JOHN F. FLOETER, Clerk
South Branch Township
LOUISE MCCORMICK, Clerk
Lovells Township
GEORGE A. GRANGER, Clerk
City of Grayling

To the Voters of Crawford County

People in the City of Grayling interested in Children's Welfare have requested me to run for the Office of Judge of Probate.

Being interested in the question of Juvenile Delinquency and already appointed to the Planning Board of the Crawford County Youth Guidance Committee, I decided to accept, in as much as the Juvenile Court operates under the Probate Office.

I was nominated in July as one of two candidates running on a non-partisan ticket.

In regard to the Estate Work of the PROBATE OFFICE, you may be assured that my previous office experience will insure you loyal and efficient service.
Your vote will be appreciated.

Reverend Svend Holm

To Retain RONNOW HANSON

Re-elect Him

As Your Register of Deeds

Experienced, Qualified and Courteous
Service

Democratic Ticket

Vote November 7

Your Support Appreciated

Carl W.
Peterson

For...

Judge
of
Probate



Re-elect John A. Papendiek for Sheriff of Crawford County.

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Are you rationed to permit such waste?

Crawford County
Republican Committee

(Political Adv.)

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Grayling, Michigan, Thursday, October 26, 1944.

CITY CHARTER AMENDMENTS

On November 7, the voters of the City of Grayling will be given a ballot on which to vote on three amendments to the city charter.

Not having been a resident of this city for a very long time, I have, however, studied all the amendments closely, and my thoughts on the proposals have been in part decided on experience in matters of city management in other Michigan communities.

Proposal Number One attempts to keep the Council from being changed in a body at any election. This amendment should be passed. It is almost imperative to have at least two members carry over, as they have at their fingertips the knowledge of city affairs which are sometimes very confusing to a new member of a city council.

Proposal Number Two is intended to let City Manager George Granger carry on the city's business without bothering the council members. The city manager whoever he may be, is limited by this amendment to have full authority only on rather insignificant matters. It seems to me after my short residence here that the City of Grayling is indeed fortunate to have the form of city government it has and as intelligent and able a City Manager.

Proposal Number Three is primarily an amendment to carry on the financial matters of the city in an orderly fashion, and every citizen should give it his support. A set system of carrying on the payment of accounts and handling of the city's money is an imperative feature. The city in which I lived prior to moving here, carries on a \$50,000 business each year and has not had an audit of the city books in many years. A privately owned business would not think of such a procedure, and the electors of a city should see that their civic affairs are handled in as orderly a fashion as they would handle their own.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

As American as
Huckleberry Finn

About the best-read books in our town are the works of Mark Twain—who wrote *Tom Sawyer* and *Huck Finn* and all those other lovable, undying stories.

And I think it's because he's the most American of all our writers. He understood his fellow men—and loved them as he loved all humanity.

You may remember what he said of Tolerance and Freedom—those principles so basic to our way of life. Mark Twain believed in them, of course. He fought for them. But he cautioned: "Never

let tolerance become indifference, never let freedom become license."

From where I sit, that's timely wisdom for a troubled world—whether it applies to international politics, or to a man's right to enjoy a friendly glass of beer occasionally.

For tolerance—respect for the other fellow's rights—is important not just in the big things, but in the little human everyday things, too.

Joe Marsh

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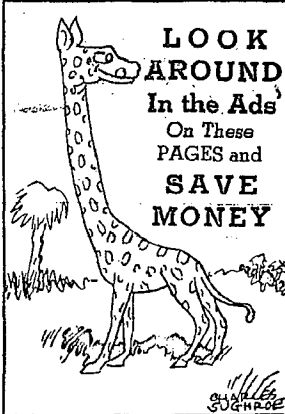
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WORLD FAMOUS
PRAIRIE PIKE

This fish, that is commonly known as a "Prairie Pike," is the only fur-bearing fish known to either the federal government or this state. With its large dorsal fin it treads from deep water into the shallow parts of the streams, where it walks on land for protection from cunning fishermen.

This specimen has been shown all over the United States after being mounted by Sallor Bill Huddleston of Grayling for Spike. It is a fact that this fish has brought as many travelers to Grayling as has the famous AuSable River Trout.

Spike's Keg O' Nails

LOOK
AROUND
In the Ads
On These
PAGES and
SAVE
MONEYD-DAY
Means DEWEY DAY
Do You Know

That last month there were 21,381 labor disputes pending before the War Labor Board.

Is this winning the war on the home front?

Crawford County
Republican Committee

(Political Adv.)

OUR BOYS and GIRLS
... IN THE SERVICE

Charles R. Ryan, 18, of Grayling, and August J. Miller, 18, of near Roscommon, are receiving their initial Naval indoctrination at the U.S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois.

Their recruit training consists of instruction in seamanship, military drill and general Naval procedure. During this period a series of aptitude tests will be taken by the recruits to determine whether they will be assigned to Naval Service School or to immediate duty at sea.

When their recruit training is completed, the seamen will receive a period of leave.

T. Sgt. LeRoy R. Babbitt, son of Mrs. Howard Bunker of Grayling, has been awarded the Air Medal recently. It is announced by the Army Public Relations.

Sgt. Babbitt whose wife, Velma, resides in Flint, entered the service in March, 1942, and has been serving in North Africa. Sicily, Italy, and is now stationed in England. LeRoy is a flight engineer flying with the Ninth Air Force Troop Carrier Command. His plane hauls paratroopers and gliders.

The Grayling, airman began his combat experience in Libya, where his Troop Carrier Squadron was attached to the British Eighth Army. His squadron then followed the course in the crushing of Africa, Sicily and Italy. They were then transferred to England.

S. 2-c George (Todd) Fairbotham, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Fairbotham, reside in Beaver Creek, Twp., is preparing for duty with the amphibious forces aboard an LST. Landing Ship Tank—one of the biggest ships in the Navy's invasion fleet.

He was assigned to the crew of an LST at the Amphibious Training Base, Camp Bradford, Va., where he is going through the strenuous training required of blue jackets who man the beach-hitting tank carriers.

Heavier than a modern destroyer, the 300-foot LST lands assault troops and equipment directly onto enemy beachheads, under the protective bombardment of heavy warships and Navy planes.

Despite its size and weight, the landing vessel is designed to navigate shallow approaches to hostile beaches, spilling its troops and tanks ashore through huge bow doors.

Camp Bradford, where George is stationed, is one of a group of

Egg Cases

By nailing wooden risers on the ends and sides of orange crates poultrymen can use these second hand boxes to pack eggs in the usual 30-dozen lots

bases operated by the Amphibious Training Command of the U. S. Atlantic Fleet along the Eastern seaboard. The Bradford base alone is readying thousands of Navy men to operate the ships of the amphibious fleet, fast growing toward its year-end goal of 80,000 new landing craft. George writes that he entered the Navy in February, 1944, and likes it "swell." He wants to be remembered to all his pals in the community. He said he would do his share toward winning the war and then he wants to come back to the "best and nicest place in the whole wide world—Grayling" and "take care of that farm of Mother and Dad's."

In the Editor's Mail

Stmr. Horace Johnson,
Duluth, Minn., Oct. 7, 1944.
Editor, Crawford Avalanche,
Grayling, Mich.

Now, when you come to think it over, this is a small world at that. Just recently your head stokerman, Chester Burke, from Frederic, was looking through his marine glasses at the Steamer Wm. Filbert, passing by. And who did he see standing in the galley door but the chief cook, James Bugby, of Grayling! James makes a specialty of baked beans—he calls them "the bean hole type" which he learned to bake in the lumber woods surrounding Grayling; and say, are they good! The secret he will not reveal. Soon another boat passed—the Steamer Sumatra and who stood in the galley door? None other than Harley Kennedy of Grayling. Harley makes a specialty of baked ham; we do know that he bakes his ham in a special wine of his... and does it taste and look good and tempting with its spices and sliced oranges, etc! And how goody goody!

Officers and Crew of
Stmr. Horace Johnson.

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PROCESSED FOODS.

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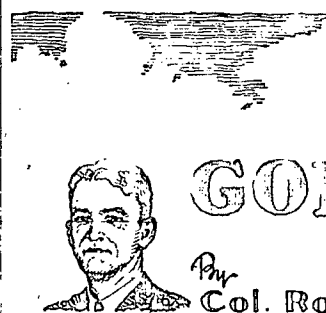
Period 4-5 coupons good thru Aug. 31, 1945. Period 1 coupons for new season good upon receipt. Unit value 10 gallons. All change-making and reserve coupons good throughout heating year.

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GOD IS MY
CO-PILOT

Col. Robert L. Scott

W.N.U. RELEASE

FOREWORD

The author, Col. Robert L. Scott Jr., served under my command from July 1, 1942, to January 9, 1943, as commander of my fighter force. The only criticism of his actions as group commander was that he consistently scheduled himself as a pilot on all possible missions. He led all types of combat missions but specialized in the most dangerous, such as long-range flights to strike from minimum altitude Jap air-dromes, motor vehicles, and shipping deep in enemy territory. It was often necessary for me to forbid his participation in combat missions in order to enable him to discharge the many other duties of a group commander.

This story is a record of persistence, determination, and courage from early boyhood. Having determined early in life that he had to fly, he overcame all obstacles in the way to the attainment of his ambition. This story alone should be an inspiration to every young man. Having become a military pilot, he determined to struggle to meet the enemy and his glorious record first, as a "One Man Air Force," and later as a commander of the American fighters in China, should be an inspiration to all Americans of all ages.

Colonel Scott's group of fighters always operated against greatly superior numbers of the enemy. Often the odds were five to one against them. Their planes and equipment were usually battered by hard usage and applied were severely limited. But Scott and his handful of pilots had one resource in unlimited quantities—courage. They also possessed initiative and a never-failing desire to destroy the enemy. They were themselves out doing the work of ten times their number. They demonstrated time and again that American pilots and planes are superior to the Japs. The results which they achieved more indisputably than the enemy can be destroyed or driven from China if adequate equipment and supplies are made available. The offensive spirit displayed by Scott and his early pilots lived on in the men who replaced them. They imprinted on the weapons needed to drive on into the heart of Japan and to final victory.

C. L. CHENNAULT,
Major General, U. S. S.,
Commanding, 14th Air Force.

AUTHOR'S NOTE

My decision for the title of this book was probably made back there in Kruming one afternoon as the doctor dug those five rivet heads from my back. They had been driven in when a Jap explosive bullet hit the armor plate behind my seat. To keep my mind off the pain the big Cantonese intern of Doctor Mangget's kept talking to me. He seemed to find it hard to believe that I flew the little fighter alone—that I dropped the bombs—fired the six machine guns—changed the fuel tanks—navigated and landed the fighter. Finally, with disbelief in his eyes, he looked at me and said, "Colonel, you are up there all alone—even talk over the radio when you shoot the guns?" As I waited for him to go on with another question, I heard the old doctor say, "No, son—you're not up there alone—not with all the things you come through—You have the greatest copilot in the world even if there is just room for one in that fighter ship—no, you're not alone."

I believe when this war is over that we will be closer to God than at any time in the past. I believe this because I have seen instances of real faith on all fronts. Take for instance: Just the other day a song came out: "Coming in on a Wing and a Prayer." That could have been conceived as a title or as the theme of the song only by some real event. A ship landed with an engine shot away—the fuselage gutted by fire and the plane riddled with bullets. One of the war correspondents hurried out to the wounded pilot and asked, "How in the world did you bring this ship in...?" The pilot shook his head, smiled and replied, "I don't know—ask the Man upstairs."

We who fly are going to get to know that Great Flying Boss in the sky better and better. My personal ambition is that He permit me to go against a combat against the Japs of the East—that He help me just a little to shoot down a hundred Jap ships—even a thousand. Then I hope He lets me come back to tell another story. I'm going to name that one—the sequel to this one—GOD IS STILL MY CO-PILOT.

R. L. S.

CHAPTER I

Even the angels in heaven must have shrugged their wings after the few seconds of my first flight. For back home in Macon, Georgia, in 1920, I must have been, even at age twelve, the "vandal" type. There I climbed the steeple of the Baptist Church, and from the belfry took twelve whitish pigeons, carried them to a tent-meeting of Holy Rollers, and at the tense moment of fanatic prayer released them. I can remember nearly splitting my sides laughing at what happened—the darkies were rolling on the sawdust floor. They were rolling their eyes and yelling, "Gideon, Gideon—hal-leluiah, glory glory!" I suppose the pigeons really did look like doves of peace.

But I had reckoned without the old preacher, who had me arrested for disturbing the noisy peace. When I got out of jail, more embarrassed than anything else, I swore vengeance on the Holy Rollers and the old preacher. Early one morning while delivering papers I took a razor blade and cut off fifty feet of canvas from the side wall of the converted circus tent took it away and hid it in the woods.

I had no use for the purloined canvas, and to excuse myself from a nagging conscience I tried to forget it. But every morning I saw the jagged hole that I had made for vengeance. Later on I decided to build a glider, and for wing covering the canvas was ideal. Then, with the cloth stretched over the ribs of the airbus and varnished for lightening, even with American insignia painted on the fuselage, I found myself ready to fly. Two of my friends helped me pull it to the roof of a high colonial home in Macon, and with their steady wings I ran down the sloping roof and flex out into space. Now in those days I knew nothing of "main-spars," "center sections," or "wing-loading." With a crack like the closing of the jail door, the wing buckled in the center and I crashed sixty-seven feet to the ground. The Cherokee rose bush—that sacred State flower of Georgia into which I fell—probably saved my life, but the thorns stayed with me for a long time.

After my father had pulled me from the wreckage—more scared than hurt—I was ordered to tear the glider apart. I did, but saved the ill-fated canvas for other plans. Later on it was used to cover the barehatched ribs of a home-made canoe which was intended to transport me down the Ocmulgee River to the sea, some twelve hundred miles away as the winding river ran. I had made about six hundred miles of the trip when the sailing canoe caught on a snag and the current rolled us to the muddy bottom, tangled in the rope rigging of the sail. In the seconds that followed I nearly drowned—I saw my whole mispent life parade before my eyes. Finally the rope broke and I swam ashore; but I had already decided to leave the sacred canvas, seasoning forever, at the bottom of the Ocmulgee River.

Once again my mind turned to flying—I confined my aircraft construction to scale models, and finally made a flying one which won the first Boy Scout Aviation merit badge in that part of the country. I remember when General Mitchell (Billy Mitchell) led a flight of fast-looking MB-3's through the home town. I crawled into one of the baggage compartments in hopes that I would be down on to Florida in this dawn-to-dusk flight. But the mechanics found me, and I missed making the pursuit ship any tail heavier than it normally was.

It was far back, when I was four or five, that I had seen my first airplane. A pilot by the name of Ely spun in and was killed, and my horrified mother dragged me from the scene. It most certainly should have been an ill omen for my flying future. However, I know that it whetted my appetite to fly. I liked anything that flew and freed me from the earth, but most of all I prayed that destiny would make me a pilot of the fast, little single-seaters—a fighter pilot.

In 1921 I read of an auction sale of war-time Jennys in Americus, Georgia. Gathering the largest fortune that I could collect, I drove my cut-down Model-T racing Ford to buy myself a real plane. As the auctioneer's hammer hit the block for the first time that morning I opened with my maximum bid—Seventy-five dollars! The auctioneer did look my way, but the look was merely a frown. Far in the back of the hangar a heavy voice called, "Six hundred dollars." And to this fat man the Jennys went, one by one.

I must have bid over a hundred times before the morning had gone—the sale had stopped for lunch and had been resumed.

That afternoon I kept bidding, and as I said "Seventy-five dollars" for about my hundredth time, I heard heavy breathing over my right shoulder. I turned to look at the man who had been overbidding me, and the deep voice said, "Now listen, son, I'm going to let you have this one for your seventy-five dollars. Get it and get the hell out of here, because I'm buying all the rest for an airline." Anyway I had a real plane, all crated up. I hauled it home on a truck, hid it in another boy's garage so my parents couldn't find out about it, and began trying to assemble the parts.

For days and weeks I worked, but couldn't get the knack of it. Finally I received a letter from a street-car conductor who said he had been a pilot in the war. He offered to help me put the Jenny together, and teach me to fly and navigate, if I would give him use of the plane for "barnstorming" over the State on week-ends.

The partnership began. He taught me some fundamentals, like taxiing faster and faster until the ship was almost ready to take off. I went to Chandler Field in Atlanta and took several lessons with the instructors there in Eagles and Jennys, until one day I trusted myself to take off from the racetrack of my hometown fairgrounds. I still don't see how I got by with the flight, because I knew nothing about coordination of controls or the technique of flying—though no one seemed to know much about them in those days. But the ship was a pretty safe old crate, the wing skins saved me from digging a wingtip in on the forthcoming ground-loops, and I got away with murder.

All of this ended very suddenly. The street-car conductor instructor of mine came back to land one night and hooked the Jenny's right wing on the guy-wire of a smoke-stack. That was the last of him and the last of my Jenny, because they both burned.

As the years went on I moved up in the Boy Scouts until at seventeen, in 1925, I was one of the highest in the country, and had more merit badges than any other Scout in the South. With all of them, however, my schooling had suffered, for to me flying and athletics came before books and such. I sometimes think the only way I ever completed high school was for my patient mother and father to promise to let me work my way to Europe on freighters in the summer only when I could pass studies like Spanish and English. I don't think, though, that my parents knew I had resolved to go to West Point. For after talking to men in the Air Corps I had discovered that if a boy went to the Training center at Brooks Field, near San Antonio, as a Flying Cadet, his future was rather indefinite. The Government would train you to fly, give you the best course in the world. Then they would order you to active duty as a Reserve Officer for about a year. After that, due to economy programs, it might all be over.

Wanting to fly for the rest of my life, I had charted my course. I resolved to go to the Military Academy and become a regular army officer first; then to be ordered to the Air Corps Training Center as a student officer. After completing the flying course, I would have a lifetime in front of me as a pilot in the Regular Army.

The greatest fight I had was to get into the Military Academy, for appointments were scarce in the South. I wrote all the Senators and Congressmen in Georgia, but found they had promised their quotas long before. All such refusals merely made me more determined to win the opportunity. I wrote not only my own State political leaders but those of other States. Finally, the Congressman of my Georgia district—at the earnest plea of hometown friends who knew of my Boy Scout record—gave me second alternate. This proved of little value; the principal won out by merely presenting his high-school credits and passing the physical examination. The next year I was given a first alternate for a Senator but again the principal won.

Hope of entering the Academy seemed to wane, for I was approaching maximum age limit for applicants. The same year I tried a competitive examination with the National Guard, but failed the algebra subject. This failure at least proved to me that though my studies in high school may have been passed, I had learned very little. My stock in myself was at a low ebb, then in 1928, when the high-school principal did me the greatest favor in the world by his remark: "Well, you really didn't expect to go to West Point, did you?" And the smile that accompanied the slur made me swear that by all that was high and holy I would get there.

The things that followed were chronologically peculiar for any boy. I'll bet I'm one of the few in this world who was graduated from high school, attended two colleges, and then returned to high school to really get the foundation I had missed. I know I had at last learned that what one of the old professors said was right: "Not for school, but for life, we learn."

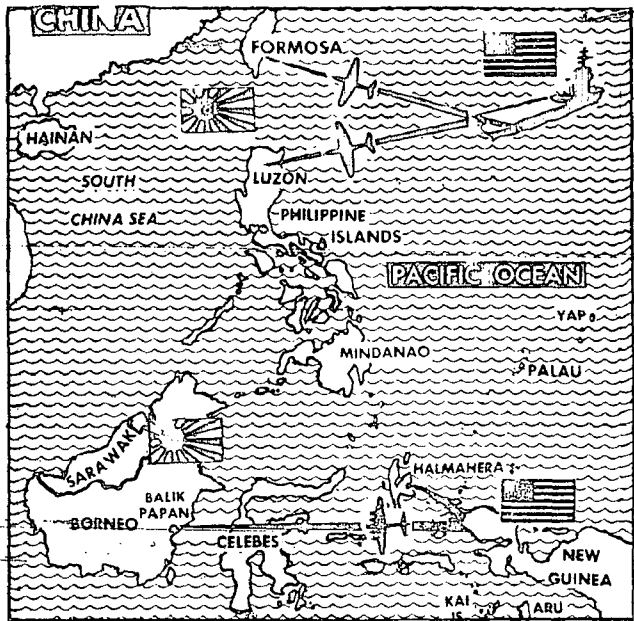
Returning to my old high school, I chose my own courses and subjected myself to several periods of mathematics, history, and English every day. The professors, who remembered me as seldom opening a book, glanced at one another as though they thought they had a psychopathic case on their hands. But I acquired some of the knowledge I had missed, and the next summer, June, 1927—I went to Fort McPherson and enlisted in the Regular Army as a private. There I became Private Scott, Serial Number 6855644, in Company "F" of the 22nd Infantry. Three months later, after a preliminary examination, I began training in the Fourth Corps Area—West Point Prep School.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Nazis Dig In for Winter War;
Air Battles Rage in Pacific;
Meat Holdings at Year's Low

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Map indicates U. S. carrier attacks on Formosa and Philippines and U. S. land-based bomber assault on Borneo and Halmahera.

EUROPE:

Dig-In

Digging in behind their strong defenses as the battle-front was soaked by rain, the Germans prepared for a winter of warfare as Allied armies pressed their attacks on the Reich.

If the Germans prepared for a winter of warfare, however, it was not without expectations of further grand Allied assaults aimed at quickly finishing them off. Reporting that the British had massed 1,500 tanks around Arnhem, the Germans declared that they were only waiting for clearance of the port of Antwerp for the delivery of large-scale supplies before renewing their effort to outflank the Siegfried line above Kleve and drive down into the vital Ruhr industrial valley.

Although expecting an attack in the Arnhem sector, the Germans also remained on edge about Aachen, where Lieut. Gen. Courtney Hodges' U. S. First army had all but closed the noose on that once thriving city of 165,000, and his troops threatened to overrun the Nazis' elaborate highway system radiating into the industrial Rhineland.

As stalwart doughboys equipped up street after street in Aachen, routing the enemy from the charred rubble, the Germans massed strong artillery and troop concentrations to the east of the city in an effort to thwart an American breakthrough.

With the Germans able to use up quantities of artillery ammu-



General Marshall and Lieut. Gen. Courtney Hodges confer on the western front.

nition, and with new weapons being passed out to their units, it was pointed out that the enemy's supply problem had been relieved by the shortening of his lines.

With rain riddling the terrain and greasing the mountain slopes, the U. S. Third and Seventh armies' drive before Metz and the Vosges mountains on the lower end of the 400 mile front slowed to a walk.

As great tank battles raged on the southern plains of Hungary with the Russians edging to within 50 miles of Budapest, political strife shook the embattled country, with Pro-Nazi elements headed by László Ferenc Szálasi assuming control after Regent Nicholas Horthy's abortive attempt to negotiate an armistice with the Allies.

With Horthy in Hitler's hands, Szálasi's followers went right to work seeking to root out pro-Allied elements in a desperate effort to keep the Hungarian army of approximately 400,000 men in the field with the Nazis, and assure the country's continued flow of material to Germany.

Fully capitalizing on the Hungarian chaos, the Russians pressed their offensives on the country from the north and east as well as the south, and further tightened their grip on outlying Yugoslavia, where the Reds and Tito's storied Partisans fought into the capital of Belgrade.

Hitler's Highways

The Yanks' first opportunity to sample Hitler's famed superhighways probably will be near Aachen, Rhineland city at the tip of the Netherlands southern panhandle. From that point a superhighway spur extends to Cologne, 40 miles northeast.

The Reichsautobahnen (literal translation: realm's auto tracks) are double three-lane ribbons with 15-foot parkway between, on the pattern of the Pennsylvania Turnpike between Pittsburgh and Harrisburg.

SALARIES:

Big Pickin's

Drawing \$1,138,000 for the year ending August 31, 1943, Movie Magnet Louis B. Mayer led the nation's salary earners for the sixth consecutive year. With all personal receipts above \$200,000 taxed at 94 per cent, however, Mayer turned about \$900,000 back to the Treasury.

Members of the movie industry continued to draw the highest salaries, with Producer Walter F. Wanger second to Mayer with \$710,372; and Executive Sidney R. Fleisher of 20th-Century-Fox Film corporation \$645,000.

Among the stars, Abbott and Costello each earned \$394,000; Deana Durbin \$282,250; Spencer Tracy \$219,871; Irene Dunne \$200,000; Joan Crawford \$194,615; Robert Taylor \$176,993; Greer Garson \$159,083; and Randolph Scott \$132,187.

Among the nation's big businessmen, Eugene G. Grace of Bethlehem Steel corporation and Thomas J. Watson of the International Business Machines Corp. each received over \$500,000. A. Obid of Planter's Nut and Chocolate Co., drew \$374,737.

LAMBS:

Fewer Numbers

Although the lamb industry has been less of a headache to OPA than other meats, production is not bearing up as well, with federal officials reporting the third lowest spring crop since 1930 and prospects of the smallest sheep population in 14 years next January 1.

With the lamb industry in fewer hands than most meats, and, therefore, easier to be kept under OPA surveillance, black markets have offered legitimate packers less competition for supplies. Prices have been regulated through controls on the finished meat and wool markets.

With hog prices showing a 158 per cent increase in prices since the start of the war, and cattle up 78 per cent, lambs have only registered a 66 per cent gain. The tight feed situation, and ratio between feed and market price, are reflected in the corn-belt's 15 per cent reduction in feeding operations this year.

Less Trimmings

Celebration of this year's yuletide may see the revival of the old-fashioned custom of stringing popcorn and cranberries for Christmas tree decorations, what with few, if any new light bulbs to be marketed and short supplies of other trimmings available.

The only light bulbs available this year, trade circles say, will be those in the home, since no new ones will be made because of wartime restrictions and stores virtually exhausted their stocks in 1943.

Neither will silver or gold tinsel be manufactured this year, it was said, and supplies of lead foil "icicles" and globes will be short. Few cellophane bells will be found on counters, because they are made of imported material, artificial Christmas trees will be scarce.

Supplies of decorative novelties may help brighten up the scene, however, with some manufacturers going in for brilliant red and green paper ornaments, tinsel of spun glass and treated rayon, and glistening "snow."

FURLOUGHS:

Shipping Factor

With U. S. offensives in full swing and long supply lines necessitating utmost utilization in shipping, the army has been able to grant only about 30,000 furloughs a month, the war department disclosed.

Soldiers overseas for long periods are being returned for rehabilitation, recuperation and recovery when the size of a particular war theater's force may be reduced; when servicemen may be given temporary duty in this country for a period of rest, and when men may be permanently relieved of overseas duty and assigned to tasks at home.

Return of one soldier from overseas actually is equivalent to a loss of four to seven men on the fighting front, the war department said, declaring that the condition arises primarily from the time required for providing for his replacement.

SUGAR BEETS:

New Process

A new process reducing sugar beet seeds to a single germ and applying a protective coating to them promises to simplify cultivation of the plants and prevent heavy crop losses.

To Phelps Vogelsang, agricultural chemist and mayor of Midland, Mich., goes credit for the new process, in which the reduction of seed to a single germ will permit precision planting, with adequate spacing to allow machine cultivation.

By applying the protective coating, seed is protected in handling and storage, with the chemical dissolving upon contact with the moisture of the soil.

CLOSE RACE

With the historic 1944 presidential election less than two weeks off, both candidates are engaged in a nip and tuck race, with Mr. Roosevelt enjoying a slight margin on the basis of popular sample polls, but Governor Dewey pressing closer as the balloting approaches.

With both candidates running almost neck-and-neck, the final outcome seems to hinge upon the voting in Missouri, New Hampshire, Oregon and Pennsylvania, with their 10 electoral votes.

in Own Booby Trap



Thirty-six hours after Namur Island in the Marshalls was taken, a supposedly silenced Jap blockhouse blew up. Bomb disposal men were checking a large supply of aerial bombs said by Jap prisoners to be inside. Seventeen Japs were killed inside the house in their suicidal act, who escaped unharmed is shown being directed from the house.

As appearing in

MADEMOISELLE



Shirlee Shoppe

Dentistry Coming
Field, Says Dean

"Dentistry offers unusual opportunities to the young man and woman who has the necessary ability," Dean R. W. Bunting of the Dental School of the University of Michigan said in a broadcast addressed particularly to the high school boys and girls who are beginning to think about their life work.

But consider dentistry only if you are attracted toward it, he warned. The profession was not overcrowded before the war. After peace comes, he foresees more demand for dentists than ever before chiefly because of two factors. Several million men who never before received dental care have had it in the Army and Navy; they have acquired the habit. Secondly, new and special fields are developing in addition to the general practitioner and these will absorb numbers of future graduates.

Contrary to widespread opinion, dentistry today consists of much more than filling or pulling teeth. Dean Bunting points out. Among the new fields are public health work, children's dentistry, mouth surgery and preventive care.

Interesting Events In
Grayling 23 Years AgoINTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE
FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

(OCTOBER 27, 1921)

Melvin A. Bates, who does not till a foot of land and has none for sale, fitted up a suite of offices for the County Agricultural Agent and furnished a stove. Mr. Bates has done this to help the Farm Bureau and agriculture in Crawford County through the County Agent.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Welsh left for Chicago today on a business and pleasure trip.

Misses Louise Salling and Mildred Bates, who are attending the Ypsilanti State Normal, arrived home this morning to visit until the end of the week. Their school is closed for the State Teachers Meeting.

A Ladies auxiliary to the American Legion was formed at a meeting attended by a few interested ladies at the I. O. O. F. temple on Tuesday evening. Temporary officers were appointed to serve until a membership drive has been completed.

The annual Red Cross membership drive has been set for November 11 to 24, when it is

hoped that every member will again be entered upon the membership roster.

Postmaster Holger F. Peterson returned home Saturday from Washington, D. C., where he has been attending a convention.

A Grayling Mercantile advertisement includes Black Cat hosiery at 25, 35 and 50 cents. They are termed the best value in stockings.

A Ford Sales and Service advertisement placed by George Burke gives a new list of prices for 1921 Ford cars. Cash prices were: Runabout, \$425; Touring, \$450; Coupelet, \$595; Sedan, \$660; Ton Truck, \$445, and a chassis alone is listed at \$295.

Church News

MICHELSON MEMORIAL
CHURCH

Sunday Services

10:00 A. M.—Bible School.

11:00 A. M.—Public worship.

Join us in these helpful meetings.

Public is invited.

Ernest A. Benedict, Pastor

GRAYLING EVANGELICAL
LUTHERAN CHURCH

English Sunday Services

9:45 A. M.—Sunday School.

11:00 A. M.—Worship.

Everyone is welcome.

Svend Holm, Pastor.

FREE METHODIST CHURCH

Corner Shellenburger and State

Sunday Services

Sunday School—10:00 a. m.

Sermon—11:00 a. m.

Evening Worship—7:30 p. m.

Prayer meeting.

Friday—7:30 p. m.

Come and worship with us.

Alva Calkins, Pastor.

CALVARY CHURCH

The Book—2 Tim 3:16

The Blood Heb. 9:22

That Blessed Hope, Titus 2:13

New Location—Grange Hall

Sunday Services

10:00 A. M.—Sunday School.

6:45 P. M.—Young people.

7:30 P. M.—Preaching.

Midweek Services

Thursday—

7:30 P. M.—Prayer and Every-

body's Bible Class.

You are welcome.

Pastor, F. D. Barnes

FREDERIC BIBLE CHURCH

"We preach Christ crucified for our sins"

10:30 a. m.—Sunday School.

8:00 p. m.—Evening Service.

Wednesday—Prayer meeting

and Bible study—8:00 p. m.

EXCELSIOR CHURCH (near

Darragh).

Services every Friday night—

8:00 p. m.

JOHANNESBURG

Church Services Thursday night

at 7:30 o'clock.

Rev. Chas. Opitz.

Seed-Sowing

If seeds are kept under water

longer than 24 hours, they expire

from oxygen starvation. In hot, dry

weather, it is sometimes an advantage

to soak most seed not more

than 12 hours to speed germination,

but in spring, when most soils are

too wet anyway, nothing is gained,

and some damage might be done

D-DAY
Means DEWEY DAY
Do You Know

A. F. of L. figures show that under the New Deal we have always had more than ten million unemployed in peace time.

Is this Roosevelt prosperity?

Crawford County

Republican Committee

(Political Adv.)

DIRECTORY

Drs. Keyport & Clippert

Dr. Keyport

Dr. Clippert

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Sundays by appointment.

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Cashier.

MAC & GIDLEY

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Phones

2171 and 2181 Grayling

DR. J. F. COOK

DENTIST

HOURS—9:00 A. M. to 12 Noon.

1:00 to 5:00 P. M.

Evenings by appointment.

408 Michigan Avenue

4TH WAR-WINTER
AHEAD
CARS BEWARE!

Mom and Pop and the Car...



"That reminds me, George...we should have the Standard Oil Man give the car a winter change-over, too."

Sticky sludge is forming in many cars today, and may, at any time, clog oil-lines and screens, and lead to burned-out bearings. The older the car, the greater the danger—especially with winter coming up. Guard against 4th war-winter car trouble.

Now, of all times, use top-quality motor oil. Use instant-flowing, full-bodied, sludge-resisting, low-in-carbon oil. Use Standard's famous Leo-Via 10 W, the full-protecting, fastest-starting, easiest-on-the-battery 10 W motor oil. Get Leo-Via 10 W today.

And while you're doing it, make sure your car has all-over protection. Arrange for a complete service "package" that covers the vital spots...get a 4th War-Winter 10 STAR TUNE-UP at your Standard Oil Dealer's.



TODAY SEE YOUR
STANDARD OIL
DEALER for Better Car Care

Gasoline Powers the Attack...Don't
Waste a Drop! Buy more War Bonds

More Miles per LOAF
... more food energy
for wartime production

ADDED QUALITY
TODAY? THAT'S
REAL NEWS!

YES...
THE QUALITY OF MANY
THINGS IS DOWN—BUT
MICHIGAN QUALITY
IS UP!

ASK FOR "Michigan" Bread

Made only by MICHIGAN BAKING CO., INC.

Sauerkraut, Noodles and Sausage

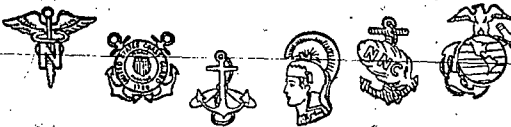
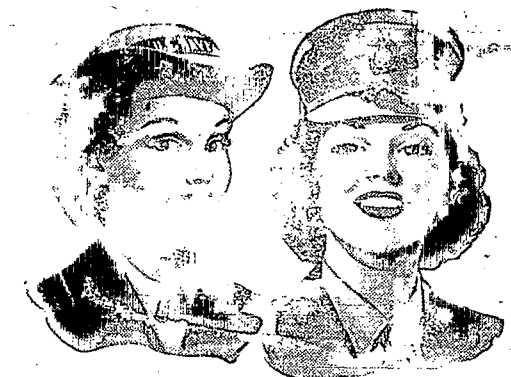
Make as many layers as needed. Cook noodles in salted water until tender. In bottom of pan, place a layer of noodles, next a layer of sauerkraut, another layer of noodles, and so on. Then on top of last layer of sauerkraut, cover with small sausages and bake in oven.

A Home Owned Store

Burrow's Food Market

Phone 2291

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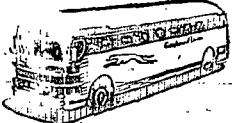
Young women in the smartest clothes of the day—the uniforms of Uncle Sam's Armed Services—are doing the biggest job of their lives, helping in hundreds of different ways to win this war more quickly. WACS or WAVES, MARINES or SPARS, ARMY or NAVY NURSES, they deserve the praise of a thankful Nation. Here's to the ladies in uniform!

Greyhound is Serving Them

Greyhound, reaching more of America's military centers, great cities and crossroads communities than any other transportation system, carries thousands of women in uniform—on duty and on leave or furlough. We're proud to serve them.

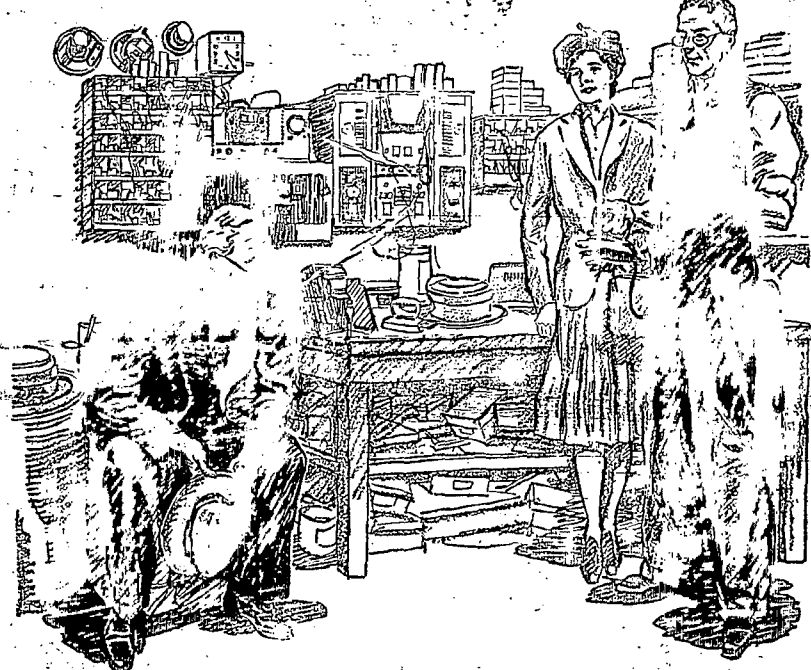
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Shoppensons Inn, Phone 4441



GREYHOUND LINES

THE OLD JUDGE SAYS...



"We can't argue with the Judge on that point, can we? It's not fair to penalize the many for the actions of the few."

"That, folks, is exactly what we would be doing in this country if we ever voted for prohibition again. Authorities who have made a careful study of the problem, report that only about 5% of those who drink abuse the privilege occasionally... 95% drink sensibly. Probably doesn't compare with the number of folks who overeat and do other things to excess. Prohibition certainly

isn't the answer. It's not that simple. We had nearly 14 years proof of that, didn't we? "The real answer is education and better control. In fact, the responsible members of the distilling industry are working constantly toward that end. They don't want anybody to abuse the use of their product any more than the three of us do." "If everybody would take that sensible attitude, Judge, and cooperate as more and more are now doing, we'd be a lot better off a lot quicker."

LOCALS

Mrs. Shirley Waldo of Detroit has been visiting the Penrods for a few days the past week.

Meet your friends at ZAUER'S every Friday night for a PERCH FRY.

Mrs. Fred Catlin of Toledo, Ohio, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ziebell, for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lynch spent Sunday in Kalkaska. They were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Crammer.

Re-elect John A. Papendick for Sheriff of Crawford County.

Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Welsh that their son, Lt. Tom Welsh, is now based in Italy. He is flying the now famous and battle-tested P-38s.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Cogswell and daughter Helen of Detroit and Grayling have been vacationing in Florida, according to cards received from Palm Beach, where they were for a few days.

Mrs. Irving Brown returned Friday from Augusta, Ga., where she had spent the past couple of months so as to be near her husband, who is stationed at Camp Gordon. Mrs. Brown left again Tuesday for Waterford, Mich., to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Chase, for a while.

GRANGE BAKE SALE at Hartley's, Saturday, October 28. Mrs. Martha Pearsall had the misfortune of breaking through a rotten board in her well platform last Saturday morning and hurting herself quite badly. Neighbors rushed to the scene of the mishap and soon were there with ladders and material. Before nightfall everything was fixed and the old pump working. Mrs. Pearsall was still walking around although quite lame.

The Grangers are anxious to get the last payment on their fall bake sale, Saturday, Oct. 28, at Hartley's Grocery, beginning at 11 a. m. So, members try and do your part. Bring us all the food possible—bread, rolls, baked beans, pies, cakes, cookies, eggs, butter, or cream. We can sell anything edible. Don't forget the date and time. Thank you. Committee.

The KING RHYTHM TRIO, piano, saxophone and banjo, will play for the Halloween Dance at the Masonic Hall, Saturday night, October 28, 10-12-24.

Crawford Grange has elected officers and installation will take place at the first meeting in December. Throughout the summer attendance has been less, because of the busy season for the farmers and down-river folks, and we are now hoping for a better turnout. We are glad Mrs. Cleo Mortenson is able to return to her home after a siege in the hospital; but sorry indeed to have our Master, John Knecht, in the hospital with appendicitis.

William Boyd Woodburn, who grew to manhood in Grayling—son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Boyd Woodburn, died in Mt. Carmel Hospital, October 10, following a lingering illness. He is survived by his widow, Ada, one son, Boyd, two sisters, Mrs. Axel Baker (Eva) of Monroe and Mrs. Arthur Tyler (Bertha) of Honolulu T. H., and one brother, Ernest R. Woodburn, of Dearborn, Mich. Mr. Woodburn was employed as a mail clerk on the New York Central Lines for many years, until ill health compelled his retirement.

Mrs. William Christenson and daughter Fay visited Mr. Christenson at Mackinaw over the week-end.

Mrs. Richard Thompson and Mrs. Carl Tahvonen spent Monday in Lewiston, visiting relatives.

The Charles Moores were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilson of Houghton Lake.

Mrs. Lewis Cariveau returned home Friday, after spending several days visiting her daughter in Detroit.

Mrs. Esbern Hanson spent last week-end visiting her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Esbern Hanson, Jr., of Alma.

Meet your friends at ZAUER'S every Friday night for a PERCH FRY.

Mrs. Herbert Feldhauser and sons left last week to be with her husband, who is stationed at Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Leo Lambers of Detroit was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Gierke, for a few days last week.

Grayling Evangelical Lutheran Church will have Danish services Sunday, Oct. 29, at 4:30 p. m. English services at 11 a. m. as usual.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bolinger and daughter Beverly have returned home from Spokane, Wash., where they had been for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Corwin and son Keith, of South Branch, spent the week-end in Cadillac, where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Corwin's niece.

The DeAlton Griffiths of Saginaw, have bought the Earl Broadbent house on the South Side and were here over the week-end, adding a new roof.

Pvt. Donald Brown returned Tuesday to his post at Camp Bowie, Texas, after a 14-day furlough spent with his mother, Mrs. Richard Brown, and family. Meet your friends at ZAUER'S every Friday night for a PERCH FRY.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Scarlett of Detroit are spending the week visiting the Wilfred Laurier and Sheehy families. Mr. Scarlett is trying his luck at hunting birds.

Miss Zella Fletcher of Bay City is visiting her sister, Mrs. Winifred Baldwin, this week. The latter gave a surprise dinner for her, Monday evening. There were nine present.

Mrs. Don C. Babbitt spent last week-end in Midland, in attendance at the Central Michigan district conference of the Re-organized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Misses Betty Brown, Darlene Giffin and Letha Tinker, who are employed in the Max Meisel restaurant in Bay City, are enjoying a weeks vacation here, visiting at their parental homes.

Mrs. George Lutz visited her husband last week-end at the University Hospital, Ann Arbor. Mr. Lutz is recovering from a serious operation. Mrs. Lutz's brother, James Williams, accompanied her as far as Jackson.

Mrs. Julia Clise intends to return to Detroit Sunday, after three weeks here. 3-year-old Donny, son of the Kenneth Clise, accompanied her here—and has been visiting his grandma, Mrs. Percy Budd.

Lewis Cariveau, new proprietor of the former Pete Lovely restaurant, has had the rooms newly painted and added new waitressing. Claude Parkinson and Bill Nichols were the decorators.

DON'T FORGET the Annual Lutheran Junior Aid Coffee Table to be held Nov. 8. We will have Christmas Cards for sale also. 10-17-21.

Re-elect John A. Papendick for Sheriff of Crawford County.

Since returning to camp from his recent furlough spent at the home of his parents, Lacey Stephan has been promoted to the rank of Sgt. T-4. He stated in a recent letter that he was "busy sewing stripes on his clothes".

Miss Dorothy Plath of Van Dyke, Mich., came Saturday to accompany home her grandmother, Mrs. Dorothy Ulrich, who had spent five weeks in Grayling. Grandmother Ulrich was here in an effort to improve her health.

Mrs. B. J. Kinkert the former Beverly Schable, of Lansing, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Schable, at the Military Reservation. She leaves November 1 for Crane, Indiana, to join her husband, Corporal B. J. Kinkert, of the U. S. Marines.

"I will be in Grayling, Friday and Friday evening, Nov. 10, 1944. Offices over Guggenberger's Store, 9 a. m. to 8 p. m. Eyes examined and glasses prescribed. Call phone 148M, Grayling, for appointment. Dr. Kenneth W. Tinker, Optometrist, Traverse City, Michigan.

We desire to serve our community in the best way we know.

NORMAN E. BUTLER
Grayling Funeral Home
Ambulance Services

Phone 3331

Mrs. Hjalmar Mortenson is a patient in Mercy Hospital.

Re-elect John A. Papendick for Sheriff of Crawford County.

Mrs. John Deckrow has returned home from Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Emma Cariveau and Mrs. Della Simpson spent Sunday in Iuzern.

Mrs. Charles Moore spent a few days in Saginaw, the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherderer of Bay City were guests at the James Lynch home Thursday.

Sales 5c to \$1.00 store has a new sign on the front of the building. It looks fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Dickmeyer spent the week-end at the George Griffith cabin.

Mrs. Jack Russell of Twinning spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Davis and family.

George Craft of Newberry called on his sisters, Mrs. Della Simpson and Mrs. Lillian Beck, last week.

Henry Jordan spent the forepart of the week in Maple Forest at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Chester Lozon, and family.

The Ladies' Aid of Michelson Memorial Church will have their semi-annual rummage sale November 3 and 4, in the basement of the church.

The William Woods family of Ferndale and the George Woods family of Mt. Clemens spent last week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mose Woods.

T-5 and Mrs. Donald O. Kangas are spending around two weeks with Donald's—parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Kangas. T-5 Kangas must report back to Fort Meade, Maryland, Nov. 28.

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Mr. and Mrs. Warren Vallad and son Ross, of Kalkaska, spent Friday hunting with Mr. Vallad's brother, Norman, of Grayling. They were dinner guests that evening of their mother, Mrs. G. D. Vallad.

Re-elect John A. Papendick for Sheriff of Crawford County.

Mrs. Howard Madsen is spending around two weeks with her parents, Sheriff and Mrs. John Papendick. She plans to join her husband, Sgt. Howard Madsen, following her visit here. He is stationed at Camp Ellis, Ill.

Mrs. Oscar Hanson returned home last Friday, accompanied by her daughter Mrs. Richard Snyder, and granddaughter Peggy, of Saginaw. Oscar Hanson and Richard Snyder spent the week-end hunting in the St. Helon vicinity. The Snyder family returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Byron Randolph and Mrs. Lonnie Schanley, of Traverse City, returned last week from Boston, Mass., after spending a few days with their husbands, who are in the Navy. Byron's address now is: Byron W. Randolph, F. 1-c, D.E. 358, care of Fleet P. O., New York, N. Y.

GRANGE BAKE SALE at Hartley's, Saturday, October 28.

Mrs. Zilda Fogelson and sons, S. 1-c Lloyd and Francis Fogelson, and daughter, Mrs. Robert Lamb and guest, of Flint, arrived Sunday to spend a few days with Mrs. Fogelson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul LaBrash. The boys had just returned from the Southwest Pacific—this being the first time Lloyd has been home in two and a half years.

Meet your friends at ZAUER'S every Friday night for a PERCH FRY.

Mrs. Emery Craft and Mrs. Wm. Golnick were joint hostesses Wednesday of last week at a bridal shower given in honor of Mrs. Charles Muth, a recent bride. Twenty-four friends were present. The evening was spent playing pinocle and buncio; high score for pinocle was that of Mr. Arthur Worden, low going to Mrs. Stanley Madsen. Mrs. Richard Thompson won high score at buncio, and Mrs. Ernest Richards low. A delicious lunch was served. Mrs. Muth received many lovely and useful gifts.

Re-elect John A. Papendick for Sheriff of Crawford County.

United War Fund Notes

Here is something of interest: The entire enlisted personnel of one military establishment in the Panama Canal Zone has contributed one day's pay each to the National War Fund.

Information to this effect has been received in a letter from Col. Hugh A. Kelly, whose home is at 39 Sherman Place, Jersey City, N. J., and who is stationed in the Canal Zone.

"I often wonder how many people really appreciate what the U.S.O. means to boys so far from home," Colonel Kelly wrote. "We in the Army appreciate the need of this money and it was up to us, the Fund would be oversubscribed."

Here on the home front in Crawford County, progress is being made towards achieving our goal of 100 percent participation in contributing towards the fund.

There are still some individuals and two or three industrials to hear from, but we hope to be able to make a final report within the next two weeks. Meanwhile we wish to acknowledge the following contributors since last report:

Mrs. Holger Schmidt, Sorenson Funeral Home, Ben Jerome Motor Sales, Dr. C. R. Keyport, Harry Davis, George Wilcox, Wm. Dusenbury, Frank Forrester, Liquor Store, June Woodstock, Betty Jean Failing, Ruth Gaid, Madeline Antonelli, Alice Bond, Ina M. Cook, Margaret



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FOR STYLE . . FIT . . QUALITY

EACH season, when we receive our new shipments of Curlee Clothes for men, it seems to us that they stand out above those of the preceding season. And that's saying something. We don't know how Curlee does it, but somehow or other they turn the trick.

We're passing this information on to you because we know you'll want to see the new Curlee Suits for fall and winter. They are the last word in smart, modern styling. Expert workmanship extends even to the hidden details of construction. Curlee quality fabrics feature the newest patterns. New style, fit and quality—you will make a Curlee Fall Suit your choice.

\$29.50 and \$34.50

Top Coats in Fleeces and Gabardines at

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The Quality Store

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Douglas, Norine Hanson, Helen Bank, Johannesburg Mfg. Co., Corwin, Florence Arthur, Joseph Northern Michigan Land & Oil, Wesley E. Kumpula, Corp., Frank L. Bond, Mr. and Mrs. Bruun, O. W. Hanson, John Robert W. Klein, Marguerite Bennett, Gertrude E. Peterson, Marie LaMotte, C. R. King & Son, A. & P. Tea Co., Howard Granger, Grayling Laundry, Dr. Stanley A. Stealy, Ruth Burrow, Herman Bieda, Adam Bielski, Gerald Blaine, Henry Bousson, James Brown, William Brown, Ray Denno, Brooks Epley, Alonzo Heath, Peter Kuski, Frank LaVack, Joseph Levinsky, John Mallowski, Dan Owens, Clare Rood, Frank Rood, Tophile San-Cartier, James Sherman, Liland Smock, Clayton Straehly, Albert Waltonen, Oswald Weidemann, James Williams, Jonas Wirtanen, Roy Wolcott, Eileen Ferguson, Mildred Hanson, Emil Giegling, Hayes Oil Company, Sam Rasmussen, Edward Gillett, Emil Niederer, Alva Calkins, Mrs. Hansine Hanson, Ingeborg Hanson, Rasmussen Lumber Co., Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Leslie, Crawford County, Charles Moshier, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Norris, Township of Grayling, Joseph Kessler, Jerome Kessler, John A. Papendick, Glenn Penrod, William Cornell, Mrs. Nick Schlotz, Henry Bradley, Carl Nielson, Lewis Bradley, Hans A. Peterson, Harry Sherman, Fred Carr, Geo. A. Long of Bay City, A. C. Gierke, Esbern Hanson, Mrs. Margrethe Hanson, Mrs. Margrothe Graham, R. Hanson Trust, H. A. Bauman Trust, T. E. Douglas Trust, Salling Hanson Company Trustees, Grayling State Savings

Former Resident Laid To Rest Here

John Hendrickson Cook, former resident of Grayling, was laid to rest in Elmwood Cemetery here on Wednesday, October 18. He died in Detroit on October 14 following a series of heart attacks. Cook was the former greenhouse operator here. Before that he was employed in the sawmill owned by Rasmus Hansen.

The family lived in Grayling for about 30 years coming here in 1899. Cook was the treasurer of the Grayling Lutheran Church for many years. It was in this church that the funeral was held. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Margaret Mangson, Mrs. Paulson and Mrs. Bowley. They were all here for the funeral. Mrs. Cook preceded her husband in death 10 years ago. Previous to her death, the eldest daughter passed on.

D-DAY

Means DEWEY DAY Do You Know

That since becoming governor of debt-laden New York, Tom Dewey has built a surplus of \$164,000,000 for postwar job simulation and aid to returning veterans.

As governor, Roosevelt left New York deeply in debt.

Crawford County Republican Committee

(Political Adv.)

O. P. SCHUMANN
Palmer Fire Ins.
Agency

Plans to move into the Olson Building have to be abandoned for the present. Call Avalanche Office for information and policies. Call at residence, 608 Cedar St. Phone 3121.

WHY

Thoughtful Voters of Michigan Who are Interested in Good Government and Responsible Home Rule Will Vote "NO" on Proposal No. 4 on Nov. 7.

BECAUSE

1 This Amendment DOES concern the whole state, not Wayne alone, as its sponsors contend. It is aimed at BREAKING DOWN local government. Attempts to pass a similar amendment applying to all counties were heavily defeated in 1934 and 1936. Then, two years ago, the effort to take one county at a time began. Again they failed, but the defenders of local government must now rally to decisively reject this proposal for all time.

2 Proposal No. 4 would destroy the two-party system of government, as American as the Liberty Bell, by substituting "nonpartisan" candidates for county offices, all of whom would be elected AT LARGE and responsible to no group!

3 Detroit's present city and legislative officials, now elected AT LARGE, have been notoriously inefficient and corrupt. In grand jury actions one-third of the city council, the MAYOR and a host of police officers were indicted and convicted. The majority of Detroit state legislators in 1944 were indicted and convicted of graft!

4 By giving two-thirds control to Detroit, Proposal No. 4 would destroy home rule for 11 cities and 18 townships in Wayne county. Detroit's debt has soared over 1,000 per cent since 1919; Wayne county's debt, due to thrifty government, has decreased 13 per cent!

That's why the Michigan Institute for Local Government and the Committee for Representative Government join in urging you to

Vote "NO" Proposal No. 4

Notice of Proposed Amendments to City Charter

By Order of the City Council, the Following Proposed Amendments to the Charter of the City of Grayling Will Be Presented To the Voters of the City at the Election To Be Held On November 7, 1944.

PROPOSAL No. 1.

Shall Section 3 of the Charter of the City of Grayling be amended to read as follows:

Section 3. The government of the City, and all the powers thereof, except as otherwise provided by this charter, or by state law, shall be vested in a council of five members, who shall be elected at each regular city election for terms of four years each, except as hereinafter provided, the term of each elected council member to commence on the Monday next after the certification of his election, provided, however, that at the regular city election to be held in 1945, the members of the council shall be elected for the following terms:

3 members for terms of two years each.

2 members for terms of four years each.

Provided Further, that at the regular city election to be held in 1947 and at each regular city election to be held every two years thereafter, there shall be elected a number of councilmen equal to the number of members whose terms then expire, it being the intent of this provision to establish a city council with members thereof whose terms shall not all expire at one and the same time.

Members of the council shall be paid \$5.00 per meeting attended, not to exceed, however, a total of 24 meetings in any one year, and in addition thereto they shall be paid all necessary expenses incurred by them or any one of them in the service of the city, upon presentation of a proper statement of such expenses and upon approval thereof by the affirmative vote of not less than 3 members of the council; Provided further, that the Mayor of said city shall receive an annual salary of \$60.00 in addition to the above stated \$5.00 per meeting.

YES NO

PROPOSAL No. 2.

Shall Section 9 of the Charter of the City of Grayling be amended to read as follows:

Section 9. It shall be the duty of the City Manager to keep the Council informed of the condition of the city at all times and to recommend measures for its action. He shall attend all meetings of the Council and shall have the same right to speak as any member, but not the right to vote. Except as otherwise provided by this charter, he shall have the power to appoint and remove all officers and employees in the administrative service of the city, but he may authorize the head of a department or officer responsible to him to appoint and remove

subordinates in such department or office. He shall be the purchasing agent for the city, with authority to purchase any materials, supplies or equipment for which funds are provided in the budget, but he may not purchase any item which exceeds any budget appropriation until the Council has increased the same as provided by this charter; Provided, however, that the City Manager may purchase materials, supplies and equipment for any of the city owned utilities with money on hand in the general fund of any such utility; Provided Further, that for purchases of more than \$500.00, the manager shall be required to obtain sealed bids therefor and shall present such bids to the Council for approval or rejection. Provided Further, that whenever in the opinion of the majority of the Council it shall not be practical or for the best interests of said city to obtain such bids, then the Council may authorize any purchase in excess of \$500.00 without obtaining such bids; Provided Further, that the City Manager may let contracts not in excess of \$500.00 in the operation or maintenance of any city service when sufficient funds for such purposes have been appropriated in the budget or are on hand in the general fund of any such city service, but the Council shall let all contracts for more than \$500.00, all contracts for new construction in excess of such amount and all contracts which can not be consummated with funds provided in the current budget or in the general funds of any city service, provided that the Manager shall advise the Council as to whether or not any contract offered is desirable or which of several contracts offered is most desirable for the city.

YES NO

PROPOSAL No. 3.

Shall Section 55 of the Charter of the City of Grayling be amended to read as follows:

Section 55. The City Manager shall audit all claims and accounts against the city, or he may delegate that function or any part of it to some other city officer; after such claims and accounts are approved by the City Manager, the City Treasurer shall pay the same by check, draft, order or warrant, which shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the City Manager, and shall specify the account from which payment is to be made. The Council shall designate the depository or depositories for city funds and shall provide by resolution for the prompt and regular deposit of the same.

YES NO


Resolved Further, that at the head of each ballot on which said proposals are printed there shall be placed proper instructions for the manner of voting thereon, which instructions shall be as follows:

Instructions. To vote in favor of the following proposals, place an X in the square to the left of the word "YES". To vote against the proposals, place an X in the square to the left of the word "NO". Each proposal is separate from the others. You may vote on each of them as you desire.

George R. Granger, City Clerk.

Michigan Mirror (Continued from first page)

Democrats have no county ticket. Thus a lack of ballot interest may tend to keep Republicans at home in areas which are predominantly Republican, while the CIO Political Action Committee swells the Democratic vote in centers which are apt to



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HOT CEREAL MELLO WHEAT	28-oz. pkg.	14¢
SULTANA RASPBERRY PRESERVES	16-oz. jar	25¢
SULTANA BAKING POWDER	2-lb. jar	21¢
ANN PAGE BOSTON BEANS	3 16-oz. tins	19¢
WHITE SAIL AMMONIA	32-oz. bottle	10¢
IONA IMITATION VANILLA	16-oz. bottle	15¢

HEINZ STEAK SAUCE	6-oz. bottle	24¢
A-PEN DRY CLEANER	gal. can	53¢
OUR OWN BLACK TEA	1/2-lb. pkg.	31¢
BLUE BONNET SALTIMES	2 lb. pkg.	31¢
MAYTAY ORANGE PEKOE TEA	1/4-lb. pkg.	22¢
OCEAN SPRAY CRANBERRY MARMALADE	16-oz. jar	19¢
RUBY BEER GRAPE JAM	2 lb. jar	29¢

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ROUND, SIRLOIN OR SWISS STEAKS	lb. 38¢
STEERING FOWL	lb. 39¢
LEAN MEATY PIG HOCKS	lb. 20¢
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DELICIOUS SHRIMP	lb. 34¢
FRESH CHOPPED GROUND BEEF	lb. 26¢
PAN-READY HERRING	lb. 10¢
NO BONE — NO WASTE REDFISH FILLETS	lb. 31¢

EARL DAWSON, Store Manager

go Democratic.

As an observer studies the 1944 scene, he can find few logical reasons for believing that as a nation we are due for a sharp swing to the right—towards so-called "conservatism", old-time capitalism, uncontrolled free enterprise—call the "right" whatever you may.

At San Francisco on Sept. 21, GOP nominee Dewey declared that "we are not going back to the days of unregulated business and finance. We are not going back to the days of unprotected farm prices, to the leaf-raking and the dole." He said gov-

ernment control was necessary, favored a peacetime economy halfway between regimentation and uncontrolled business."

On the following day (Sept. 28) Dewey favored an extension of old-age pensions and survivors' insurance to farmers, domestic workers, government workers and self-employed; extension of unemployment compensation to similar groups; and assurance of medical service to those who can not afford it. He pledged retention of collective bargaining and other rights of the workers.

It seems significant to us that every representative public opinion survey in recent years has repeatedly affirmed the public's favor of freedom from want by old-age pensions, job insurance, health insurance, and even aid for students.

The conservative may snort and call it "communism", but the fact still stands that the American people—as tested by accurate polls—are not going to the right in terms of opposition to social benefits. Even Dewey's declarations add weight to this trend.

More benefits—not less—are are on the horizon.

The question is more as follows: How much to the left shall we go?

Voters will furnish the answer, to a large degree, on November 7.

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Gordon L. Pond

Democratic Candidate

For . . .

SHERIFF

November 7, 1944

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1944

RECEIPTS	
Cash on hand and in Bank, Sept. 30, 1943	\$261.45
Received for memberships, 1944	276.00
*Total membership—\$285.00, \$9.00 paid in advance and included in balance from previous year.	
TOTAL RECEIPTS \$537.45	
DISBURSEMENTS	
Postage	\$ 10.00
Crawford Avalanche, Balance on Folders	80.00
Crawford Avalanche, Printing	8.50
EMTA, portion of ad in annual booklet	80.00
Western Union, telegram	35
Advertising in Crawford Avalanche	1.13
Secretary's Salary	100.00
Printing Ballots (mimeograph)	25
Service Charge on checks cashed	20
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$290.43	
Balance on hand in Bank, Oct. 13, 1943	247.02
\$537.45	

JEROME KESSELER, Secretary-Treasurer.



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